Maurertown, Va.

Dec. 15.—At home again, after a pleasant sojourn with the Brethren dwelling at New Enterprise, Pa. This was our first work on Pennsylvania soil. While all were strangers to us in the flesh, we soon were made to experience that we were among Christian workers and those who have had like experience to ourselves. After a few meetings our outlook for an ingathering was all but flattering, being so thoroughly worked by our valiant men of war, Spanogle, McFaden and Snider. We began to wonder why our Brethren made a requisition on the weak forces of Va.

This place has many reminiscenses, to us some pleasant and some otherwise. Here, Elder Bashor, in the days of orthodoxy fought one of his first battles against sin until about 125 fell subject to a better and higher life, and on the other side here stands the commodious barn in which the memorable conference of 1877 had its deliberation. Only those whose coat collar had an upward turn were eligible to participate in the theological dogmatics. Among the latter was the important question as to the proper color of the hymn books. The photographer has tried his hand on this barn and you can see his work in frame upon the mansion walls of the citizens as a relic of the days of consistency. What a change. The barn stands; the church over the hill, and a cozy little house of worship in town with its spire pointing heavenward; but the collars, where are they? When the time comes for the "yearly meeting" again, I trust the union star will be in conjunction with the star of Bethlehem, and the gospel banner be raised, around which we all can unite and march triumphantly on.

For me to mention some and not all of our folks at this place would do injustice to many good workers. In one word, this is a live church. Bro. Snider, who is in charge, has the work at heart and also stands well as a preacher and Christian gentleman, save among the "wet men," who look upon him as their strong enemy against this traffic. Go ahead Bro. John, we will stand by you. "No drunkard shall enter into the kingdom." Why not fight the cause that the effect may cease?

The immediate result of our meeting was thirteen, one of whom was by relation.

Our church building, I found upon my return home, had made but little progress, and will not be ready for dedication as soon as we anticipated, but we shall work hard for its completion until New Year's day.

E. B. SHAVER.

Warsaw, Ind.

Dear brethren and sisters, perhaps a few lines from this part of God's vineyard would be appreciated by those who have an interest in our welfare.

Saturday evening, Dec. 3rd, we began work in earnest. Congregations were small, owing to the excitement that our Conservative brethren were making at Dutchtown, one mile and a half away. We had our meeting announced two weeks before hand, but our opponents, in the mean time, secured Rev. Peter Stuckman, of Nappanee, who started the report that the Progressives had recalled their meeting. I do not know, but I do not think it was a Progressive who did the recalling. So it was sometime before the people found out it was a mistake. But our crowds are increasing every night. God is with us. Bro. Stuckman has been instrumental in getting 24 to unite with him so far. He tells them to wear hats and what they please. He is surely a Progressive. Brethren just look! they went and expelled our sisters for wearing hats, and now turn around and tell them to wear what they please, after hundreds have been expelled.

Look out brethren, prospects are opening every night and we expect to have a glorious meeting. Pray for our success, that we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our God.

J. H. PALMER.

MARRIED.

MASON—BOND.

December 17, 1887, brother Edward Mason, of Ashland, Ohio, and sister Lizzie Bond, of Farmersville, Ohio. May theirs be a happy and prosperous journey through life.

After many trials and perplexities our brother will again appreciate the pleasures of the family circle—an affectionate companion, a kind and loving mother to his children, and the enjoyment of a happy home, a foretaste of heaven.

S. KIEHL.

Dayton, Ohio.

BEYMER—WITMFR.

At the residence of sister Catharine Witmer, by the writer, on Dec. 8th, 1887, Mr. J. S. Beymer and Miss Mary Witmer, both of Ashland Co., Ohio.

ISAAC KILHEFNER.

OUR DEAD.

SMITH.

Died near Clifton Mills, Preston Co., W. Va., Dec. 18, 1887, Bro. Jesse Smith, aged 72 years, and 9 months. Funeral discourse by the writer, from Job 14: 20, to a large concourse of people.

S. W. WILT.

SHAFFER.

Minnie Shaffer, daughter of Bro. Martin and Maggie Shaffer, died at Pleasant Hill, Ohio, Dec. 11, 1887, aged 5 years, 8 months and 24 days. The funeral services were conducted by Isaac France, of the German Baptists, assisted by Rev. Furnace, of the Christian church, and the writer.

ISAAC KILHEFNER.

DUNCAN.

Henry Duncan died Dec. 2, 1887. He was born in Green Co., Ohio, June 24, 1841. Aged 41 years, 5 months and 8 days. Funeral services conducted by William Shoup and S. Kiehl. He united with the Brethren Church in the year 1868, and was called to the ministry about the year 1873. His sickness was throat disease, and he suffered much.

J. M. MILLER.

Zimmerman, Ohio.

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The Republican National Convention will be held in Chicago June 19, 1888.

Dubuque brewers are excited over the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court in the Kansas prohibitory cases, and it was rumored Friday that they would voluntarily close their establishments. Sentiment in favor of compensation by the State is said to be growing in Iowa.

From Lanark, Ill.

Our church here is in a prosperous condition as one by one they are gathered within its circle.

Bro. Worst, of Dakota, commenced a series of meetings on the 12th of Nov., and closed on the 1st of Dec. The congregations and attention during the meetings were good. The result of the meetings was one by baptism and another promised in the near future to unite with us, and think there are others, who are counting the cost. Bro. Worst talked very forcibly to us about the beauties and necessities of religion and the great need of all persons accepting the gospel of Christ. I think he has sown some good seed not only in the hearts of the unconverted, but in the hearts of brethren and sisters as well, and that we may go forth better equiped for the Master's cause than ever.

Bro. Worst left Lanark Dec. 2, for Auburn, Ill., where he expects to labor with the brethren at that place for some time.

We feel greatly indebted to him for the good he has done here. And may God's choicest blessings attend him, and when his labors are ended in this life, may he receive an inheritance with the redeemed in heaven.

C. P. PUTERBAUGH.

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